

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-24, 26-48, 76-97, and 99-132 are pending. Claims 49-75 are cancelled without prejudice and without disclaimer of the subject matter. Claims 106-132 are newly added. No new matter was added. Assignee respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 2, 4-24, 26-48, and 97-105 were allowed. Assignee thanks the examiner for allowing claims 1, 2, 4-24, 26-48, and 97-105.

Claim Objections

Claims 49-96 were objected to as not being "within the scope" of the allowed claims. Assignee respectfully traverses the objection to claims 49-96 as there is no requirement for all pending claims to have the same scope. Accordingly, independent claims in an application are not required to include all of the same features. (*See, e.g.,* MPEP § 802.01.) Nevertheless, claims 49-75 are cancelled rendering their rejections moot and corresponding claims 106-132 are added which include features consistent with the allowed claims. Assignee will consider filing a Divisional case if the Examiner issues a restriction against claims 76-96. However, given the remarks above, Assignee respectfully requests withdrawal of the objections to claims 49-96.

The presently pending claims of this application are allowable and Assignee respectfully requests the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance for this application. Should the Examiner deem a telephone conference to be beneficial in expediting allowance/examination of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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